

## **Media Contact:**

Ricardo Santiago Public Information Officer 213-257-2000 RSantiago@da.lacounty.gov

Twitter: @LADAOffice

May 30, 2018

## Driver Pleads in Chatsworth Hit-and-Run Crash That Killed Two Brothers

A 23-year-old man was convicted today of a fatal hit-and-run crash that occurred nearly two years ago, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Dylan Shane Rutherford of Simi Valley pleaded no contest to one felony count of gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated.

Deputy District Attorney Matthew Vodnoy said Rutherford was immediately sentenced to 10 years in state prison.

On Oct. 7 2016, the defendant was driving under the influence of alcohol when he ran through a red light on De Soto Avenue and Chatsworth Street, hitting a truck. The victim's vehicle overturned and crashed into a street light, the prosecutor said.

The victims in the truck, Hector Castro, 44, and Ernesto Castro, 42, were both thrown from the vehicle and killed, the prosecutor added.

Case PAo87462 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Valley Traffic Division.

## **About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office**

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.